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Cosmo is the quick-witted leader of his Martian crew. Together, they travel space in search of adventure!

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THE MIGHTY MARTIAN



THE POWERS THAT BE...

Cosmo and his team are on a mission to find the mysterious Martian Relics! The three enigmatic objects were thought to be a myth, lost to history.

Somehow, the evil Queen Hesper and her band of Venusian Battle Princesses learned of their whereabouts and have been abusing their mystical powers to terrorize the galaxy.

Fortunately, Cosmo's crew have been successful in rescuing two of the Relics from the villains, leaving only one left to uncover...



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I'LL FESS UP--
I BARELY PASSED
HISTORY CLASS.
MEDULLA--WHAT ARE
THE **MARTIAN**
RELICS?

THE **PHOBOSIS**,
DEIMOSIS AND
ARIESIX WERE--
PARDON ME, **ARE--**
THE PINNACLE OF
ANCIENT MARTIAN
TECHNOLOGY.

THEY'RE A
SEAMLESS
BLEND OF
TECHNOLOGY
AND BIOLOGY,
AND REPRESENT
THE PERFECTION
OF SCIENCE
AND ART.

THEY'RE ALSO
THE LAST KNOWN
MASTERWORK BY OUR
ANCESTORS BEFORE
THE **RED CALAMITY**.





SO... DO WE POKE YOU OR...?

I DON'T CONTROL IT!

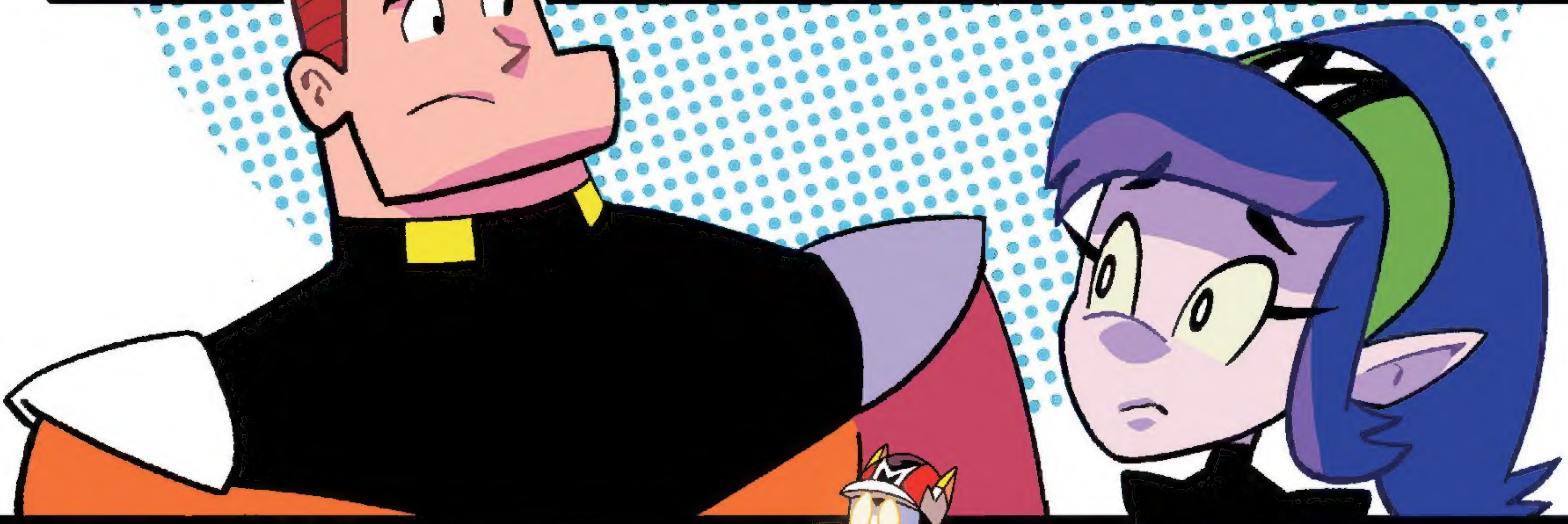
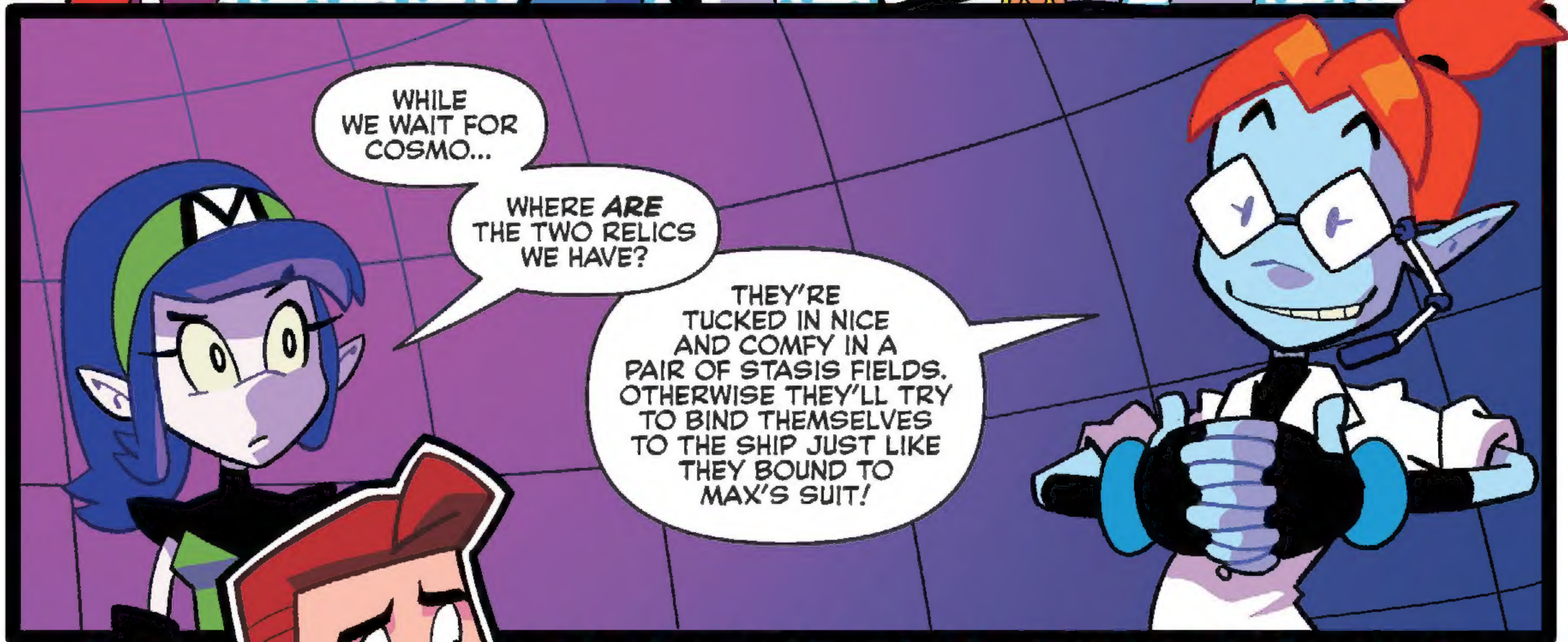
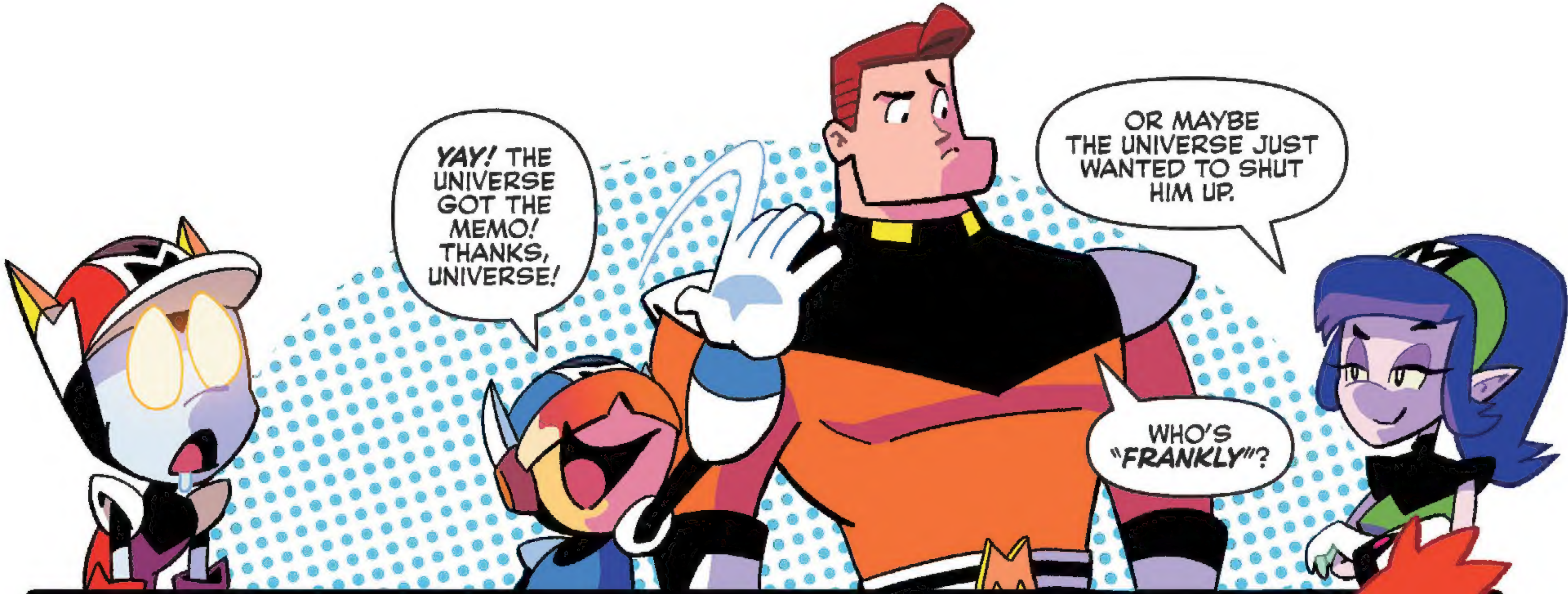


WE'LL JUST HAVE TO BE PATIENT AND WAIT FOR THE POWER TO SHOW ITSELF.

IT'S A STRANGE GIFT, AND FRANKLY, I'M HUMBLLED IT'S CHOSEN ME AS ITS VESSEL.

THAT I-- OUT OF ALL THE BEINGS IN THE UNIVERSE-- WAS CHOSEN BY UNSEEN POWERS TO BE THE CONDUIT FOR--!







WOOGY-
OOGY-
BOOGY...



CONDO!
WHAT DID
YOU SEE?

IT'S
MORE LIKE
A FEELING...
OF DANGER...
DREAD... BUT
I *DID* SEE
HESPER'S
PALACE...



Ah-HA!
QUEEN HESPER
OF VENUS MUST
HAVE IT! WE WERE
ABLE TO INTERCEPT
THE OTHER TWO
BEFORE SHE
OBTAINED
THEM--BUT NO
MATTER!

WE'LL
STORM THE PALACE!
TAKE THE RELIC! FOIL
THEIR PLANS!

AND BE
SPACE
HEROES!

WHO'S
WITH
ME?!



...WELL?



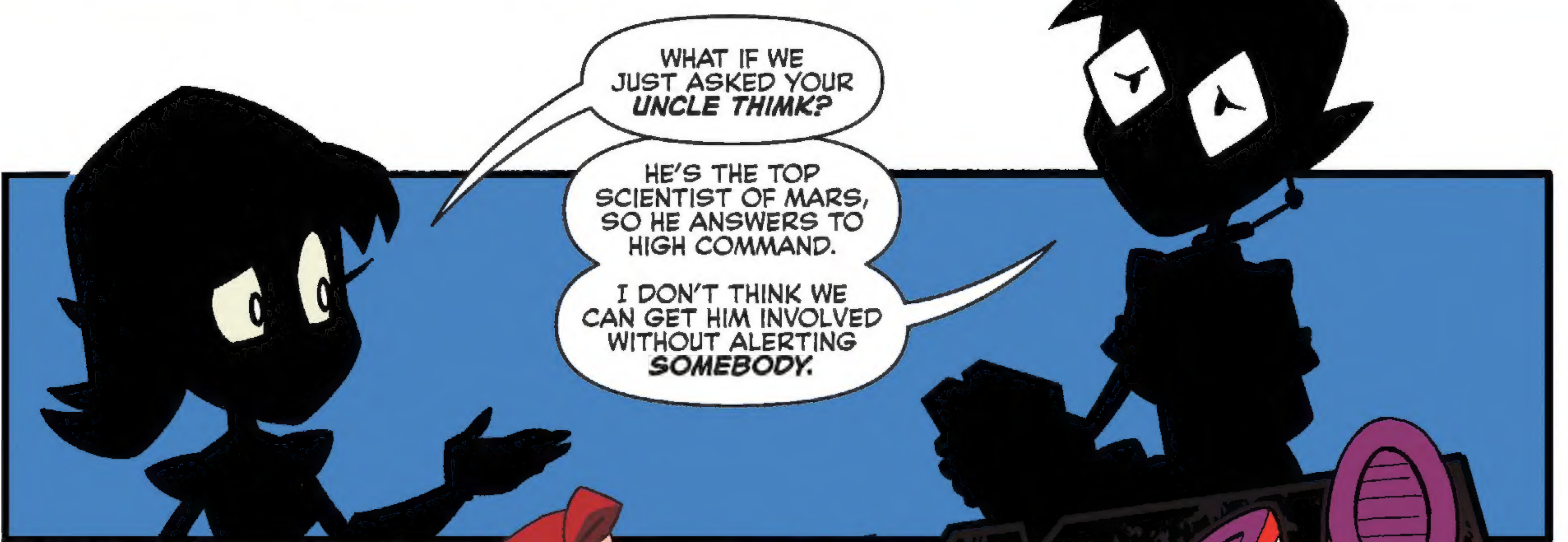
TRAVELING ALL OVER SPACE IS ONE THING, BUT **INVADING VENUS?!**

RIGHT. WE HAVE OUR LIMITS.



WE COULD...GO BACK TO MARS? ALERT HIGH COMMAND?

AT THIS POINT, I THINK IT'D ONLY MAKE **MORE PROBLEMS** FOR US.



WHAT IF WE JUST ASKED YOUR **UNCLE THINK?**

HE'S THE TOP SCIENTIST OF MARS, SO HE ANSWERS TO HIGH COMMAND.

I DON'T THINK WE CAN GET HIM INVOLVED WITHOUT ALERTING **SOMEBODY.**



WHAT IS WRONG WITH ALL OF YOU?!



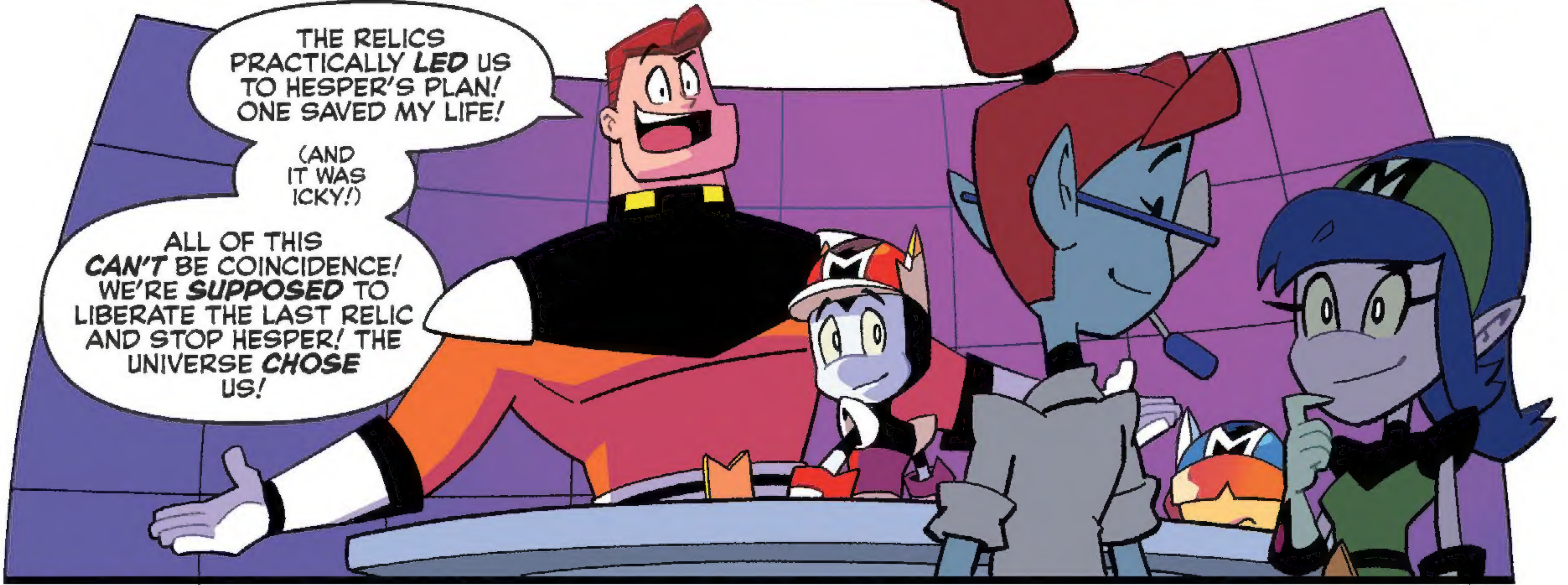
IT WAS YOUR COSMIC INSIGHT THAT BROUGHT ME INTO THIS MESS.

I TOLD YOU THAT.



IT LED US TO ORBI SO WE COULD RESCUE HIM AND KEEP THE CREW TOGETHER!

I DIDN'T ASK FOR ANY FAVORS!



THE RELICS PRACTICALLY LED US TO HESPER'S PLAN! ONE SAVED MY LIFE!

(AND IT WAS ICKY!)

ALL OF THIS CAN'T BE COINCIDENCE! WE'RE SUPPOSED TO LIBERATE THE LAST RELIC AND STOP HESPER! THE UNIVERSE CHOSE US!



I'M NOT SAYING IT'S DESTINY...

...BUT IT'S DESTINY.



SO NO MORE WORRY! NO MORE DOUBT! LET'S GET OUT THERE AND SAVE EARTH!



AND MARS, RIGHT?

AND MARS!

SOON--ABOVE VENUS.

THE SAGITTARIUS--
THE BUSTED SHUTTLE
THEY FOUND MAX IN!

THE UFO--
COSMO'S
AWESOME
SPACE-
FARING
SHIP!

NNGH... IS
THE UFO'S
CLOAKING
SYSTEM
ON?

ERK!
YEAH!
NOBODY
WILL SEE
HER.

WHAT ABOUT
SEEING *US*? THIS
OVER-SIZED
FIRECRACKER
HAS NO STEALTH
TECH ON IT.

NO, BUT IT'S
SO LOW-TECH,
IT SHOULDN'T
REGISTER
ON ANY
SENSORS!

YES, WELL, JUST REMEMBER
IT WAS *EARTH ROCKETRY* THAT
CARRIED THE DESTINED SPACE
HEROES INTO GLORY!

PAT
PAT

OF *COURSE*.
I'LL EVEN LEAVE
OUT THE PART WHERE
I UPGRADED IT SO IT
COULD FLY AGAIN.

... THANK
YOU.



STAY LOW AND KEEP OUR EYES OPEN. WE'LL GO IN THE OLD BACK WAY.

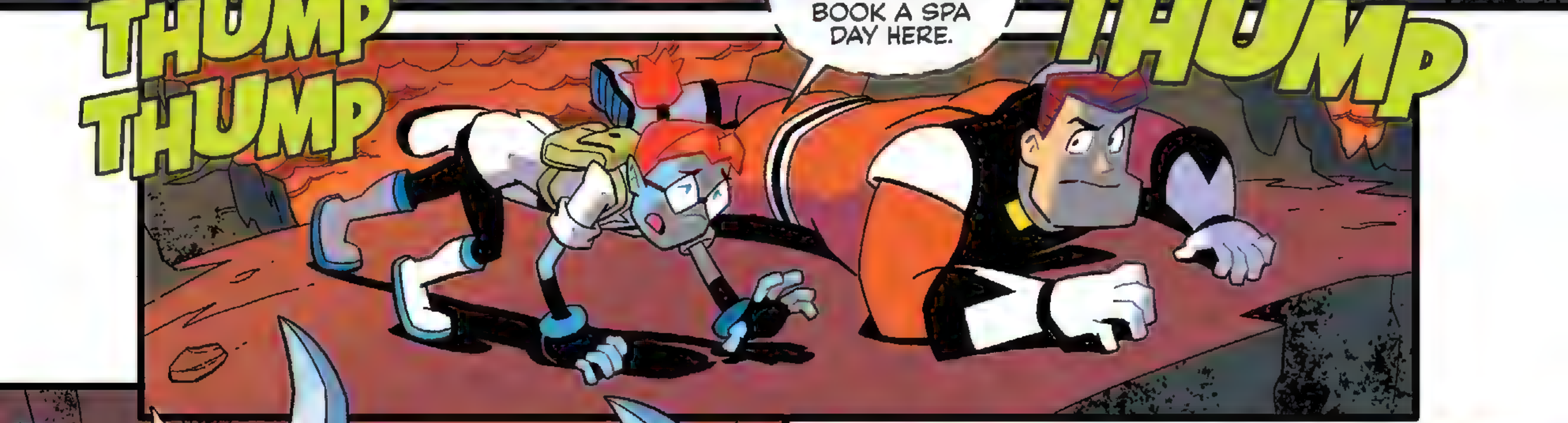
"OLD BACK WAY"?

THINGS... USED TO BE DIFFERENT.

Sigh
Oh, HOW I MISS BEING ABLE TO FREELY BOOK A SPA DAY HERE.

THUMP
THUMP

THUMP



THUMP

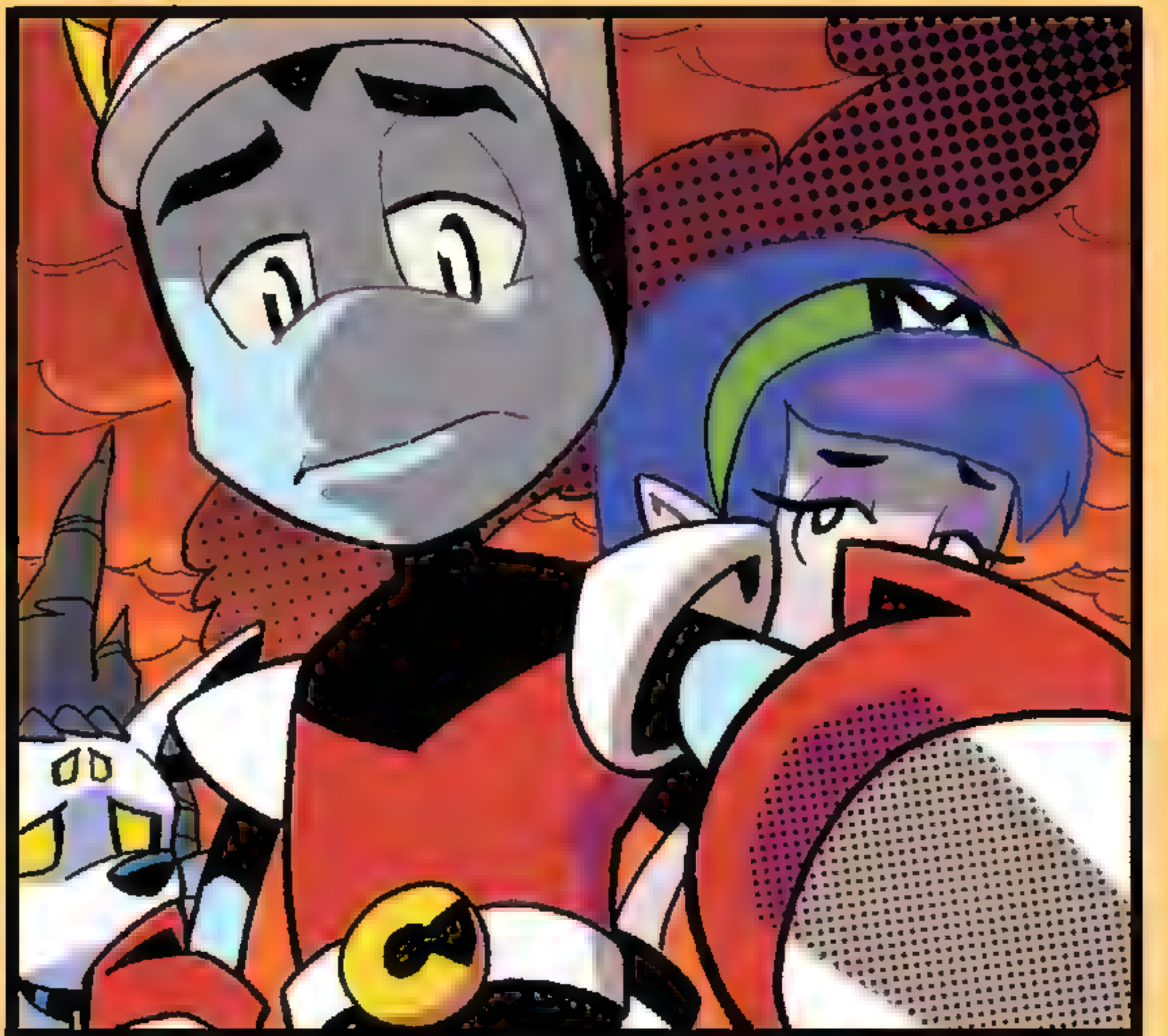
THUMP

THUMP



YUP. HESPER REALLY KILLED THE TOURISM INDUSTRY WHEN SHE TOOK OVER.

WHY DID I TALK YOU ALL INTO THIS?



LOOKS LIKE THE SECRET ENTRANCE IS INTACT. EVERYONE IN!



I KNOW YOU DIDN'T HAVE A LOT OF TIME TO MAKE THAT SCANNER FOR THE RELICS, BUT ARE YOU DETECTING THE THIRD ONE?

YES! IT'S... UP-ISH... THAT-ISH WAY.



OKAY--HERE'S THE PLAN. WE FOLLOW MEDULLA'S SCANNER. WE STAY LOW, WE STAY QUIET, AND TRY TO SNEAK OUT WITHOUT ANYONE NOTICING.

WE ARE NOT HERE FOR A FIGHT.

AND IF I GO ALL COSMIC VISION-Y AGAIN, **SOMEBODY** CARRY ME, PLEASE?







HERE!
WE'RE
HERE!



IT LOOKS LIKE
THEY'RE IN THE ROYAL
ARMORY. LET ME TRY THE
LIST OF PASSWORDS
I DOWNLOADED FROM
THEIR SERVERS...

REALLY?
YOU MEMORIZED
ALL THOSE RANDOM
STRINGS OF NUMBERS
AND LETTERS?



THEY'RE ACTUALLY
MOSTLY PHRASES.
EEE! THERE WE GO!
"COSMOSTINX!"

WELL
THAT'S JUST
HURTFUL.



THIS IS
WAY TOO
EASY....

RELAX!
WE'RE
COASTING ON
DESTINY!



THAT'S
THE THING
ABOUT YOU
ALIENS...



...YOU'RE ALL SO LAZY!

SWEET JUNIPER!



POW

ZOT

KSHK



SMAK

NICE LAST-GEN WEAPONRY YOU'VE GOT THERE!



GAH!!

BE A SHAME IF SOMETHING HAPPENED TO THEM!

BOOP



HEY!



Oh, NO!



SWAP



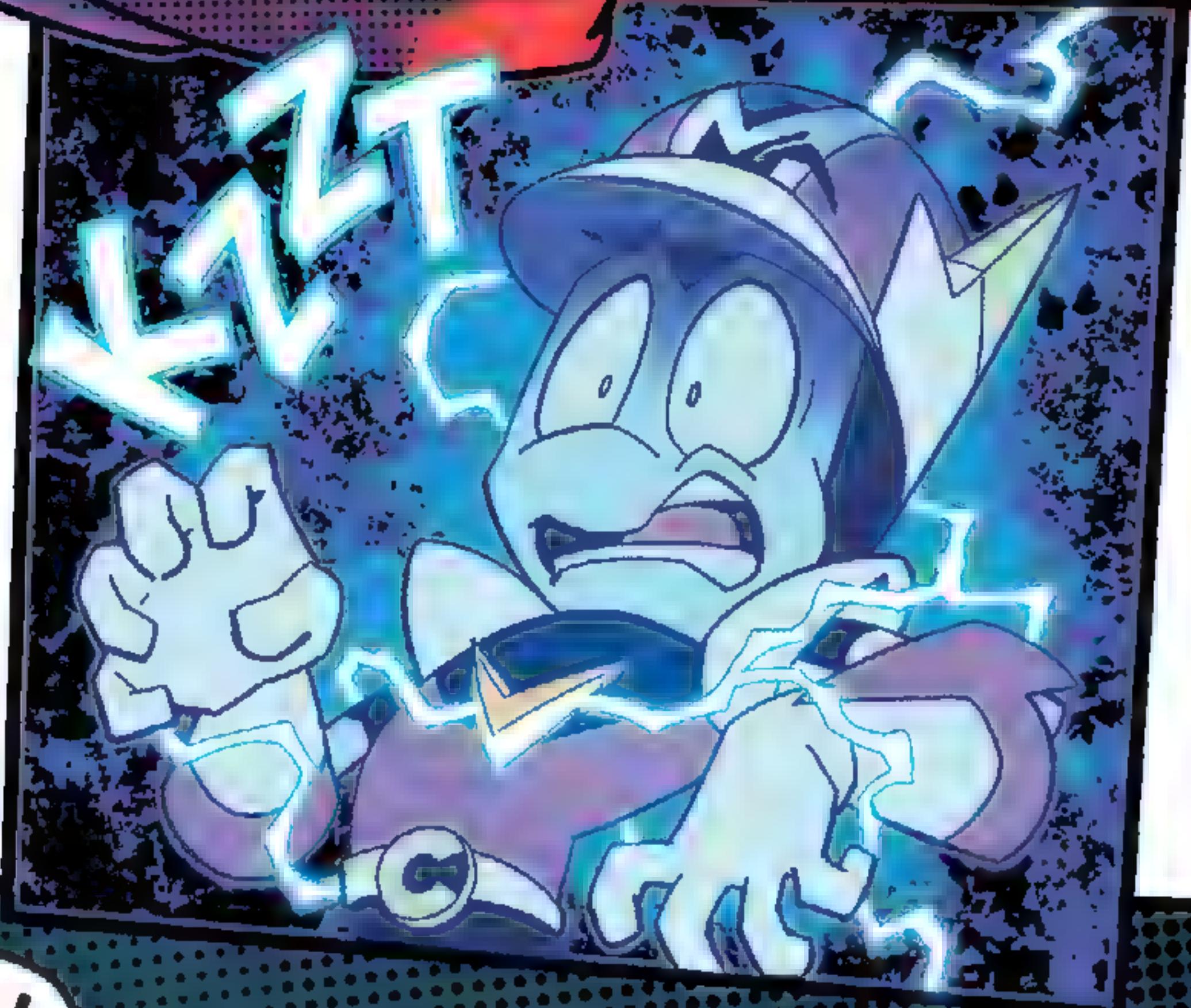
SIT.
STAY.



DROP THE
SWORD, YOU
ROYAL PAIN
IN THE---









ON YOUR FEET, INFERIOR BEINGS. WE'VE GOT A NICE DARK, DANK DUNGEON PREPPED FOR YOU.



NOT YOU. YOUR FATE WAS DECIDED LONG AGO.

DELIVER THE PRISONERS. I'LL SECURE THE RELICS HERE.



YOU HEARD HER, NERDS! MARCH!



THIS WAY.





AT LONG LAST...

AFTER ALL THESE YEARS...



AFTER ALL THE PROMISES WERE BROKEN...

AFTER ALL THE EMPTY WORDS WERE SAID...

AFTER THE BETRAYALS...



...YOU'RE MINE.

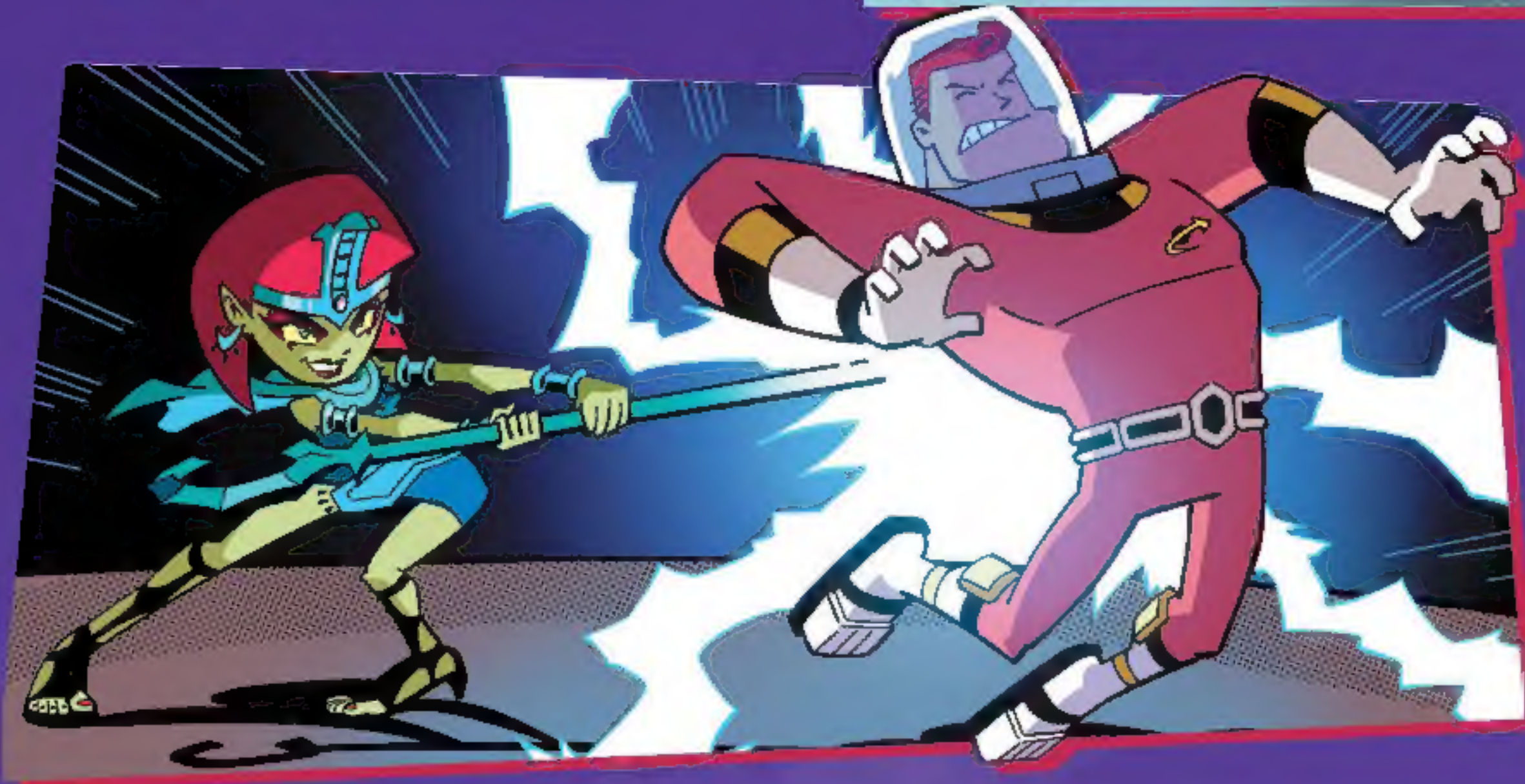
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the
FINAL BATTLE!



NEXT ISSUE

The Martian crew has been captured by the Venusian Queen Hesper and her Battle Princesses! Cosmo is faced with a difficult choice when Hesper offers him a position of power as her loyal King in exchange for the release of his friends! Will Cosmo prove himself to be the mightiest Martian?! The confrontation on Venus ends here!

DATA FILE: BATTLE PRINCESS CLEO



Cleo was the first of her peers to receive the title of Battle Princess from Queen Hesper. Studious and well-trained in close combat, the Venusian warrior uses her intellect to make quick decisions in battle.

After being defeated by Cosmo on Earth's moon, Cleo has vowed revenge against the mighty Martian for sullyng her name and disrupting Hesper's grand plans.

Name: Cleo

Home planet: Venus

Age: 21

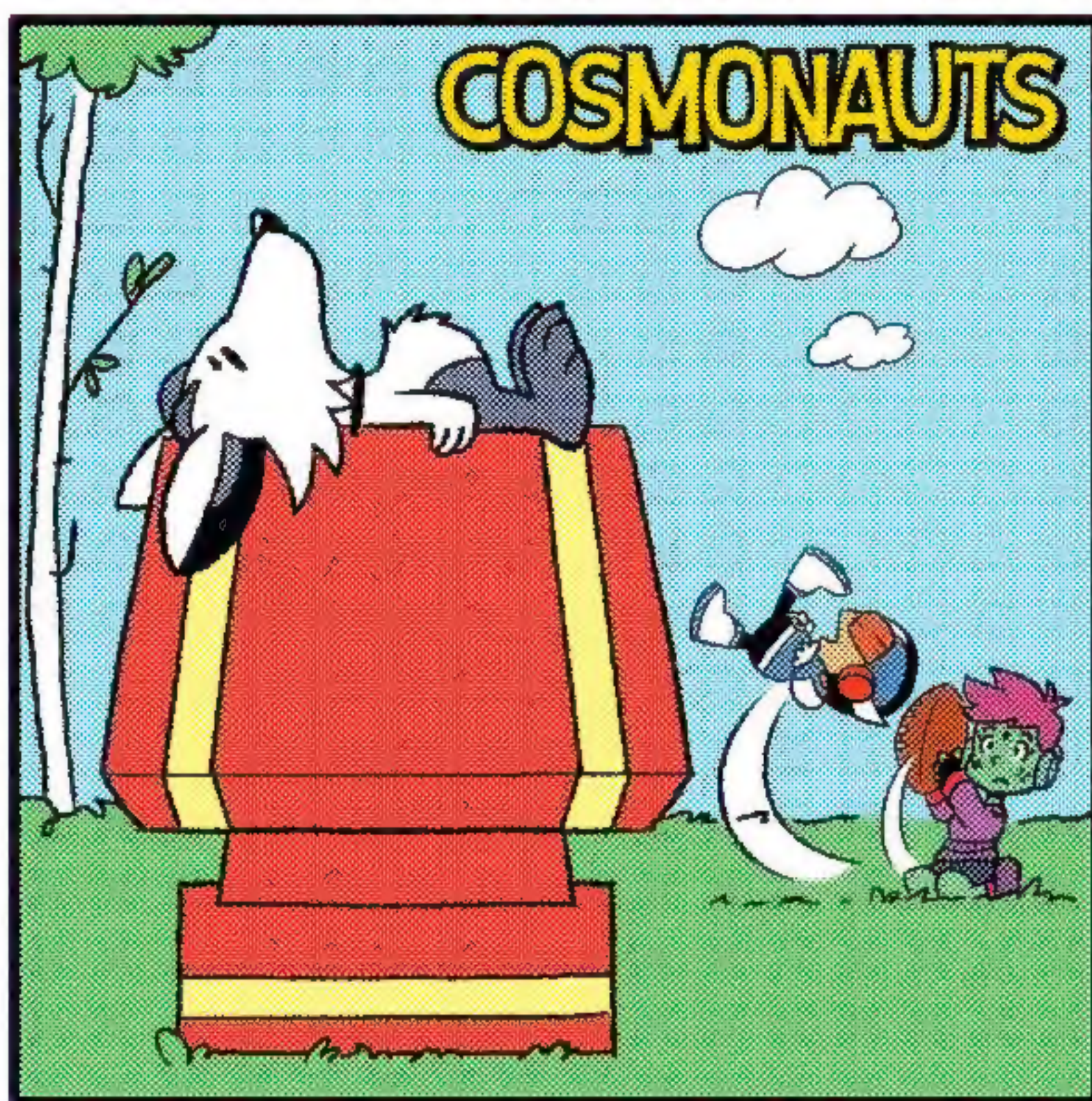
Likes: Control, learning, theatrics, frozen beverages

Dislikes: Embarrassment, rebels, clogged pores, arugula

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— JoJo's OTHER Bizarre Adventures

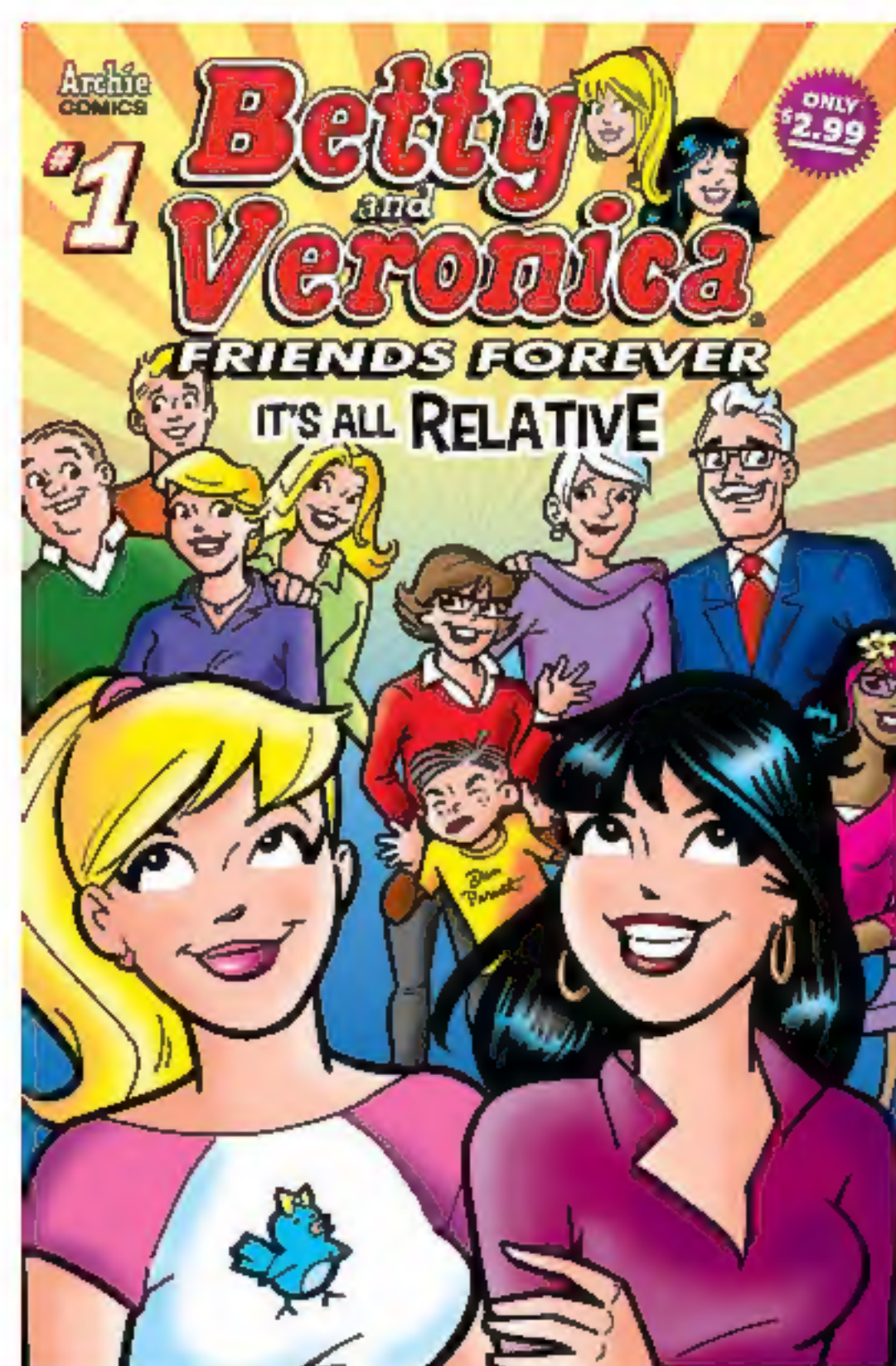
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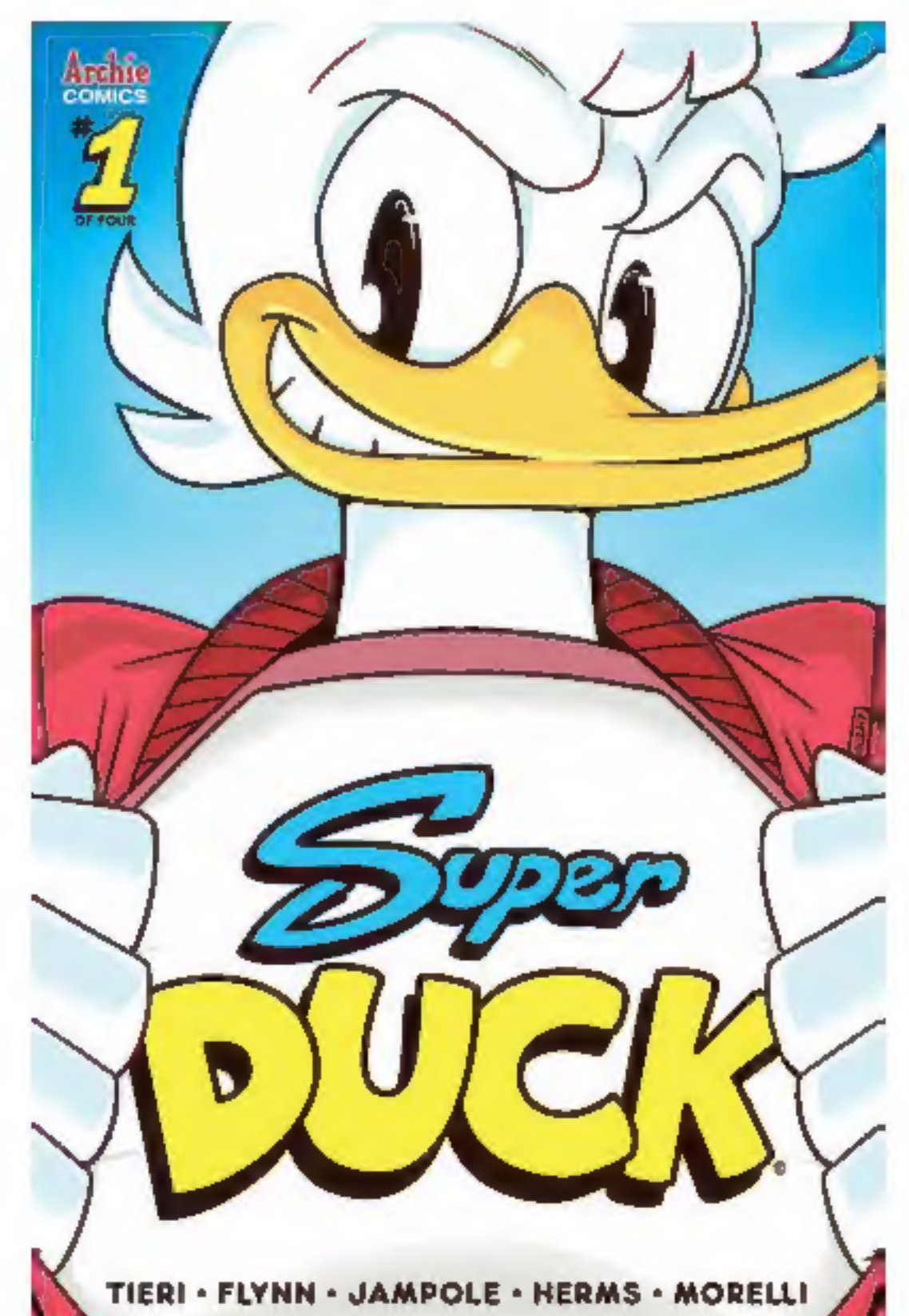
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Cosmo and his team are on a mission to find the mysterious Martian Relics! The crew hopes to finally put an end to the evil antics of the Venusian army—but what will Cosmo do when he learns that the final relic resides in the one place they don't dare to enter... the castle of Queen Hesper on Venus?!

Join the fan favorite creative team from the critically-acclaimed series, *COSMO: SPACE ACES*, writer IAN FLYNN and artist TRACY YARDLEY, in this new space age adventure for readers of all ages!

ALL-AGES



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